

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 596 - HB 1485

April 2, 2009

SUMMARY OF BILL: Establishes the Professional Fire Department Employee Negotiations Act giving professional firefighters the right to join or form professional employee organizations and outlines the scope of such organizations function.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Expenditures – Exceeds \$1,000,000*

Assumption:

- It is estimated that there will be an increase in expenditures to local governments associated with the cost of labor negotiations, litigation, mediation and arbitration, and any agreed upon salary and benefit enhancements.

**Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.*

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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